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Admiral Arleigh Burke, USN Chief of Naval Operations Room 48628 Pentagon Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Arleigh:

Thank you very much for your letter of 18 January inviting me and some of my staff members to a special briefing on the "Polaris" program and to visit the USS George Washington.

I will be delighted to attend this briefing and also to visit the ship in New London. We have already been in touch with Admiral Masterson about this, and I will let you know very shortly when I can make it.

Once again, many thanks and with kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

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Allen W. Dulles

Director

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CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

18 January 1960

Dear Allen:

Knowing your interest in keeping abreast of U.S. weapons developments and capabilities, it has occurred to me that it would be opportune for us to bring you up to date on the Fleet Ballistic Missile ("Polaris") program. Accordingly, I should like to invite you and selected members of your staff to attend a special briefing on the Polaris program and concept and to visit the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON, the first FBM submarine. The briefing would be in Washington, D.C. at a time convenient to you, with the visit to the ship (in New London) also at a convenient date but preferably soon after the briefing.

If you can find it possible to do this, I am sure you will find it interesting and worthwhile. The director of my Guided Missiles Division, Rear Admiral K. S. Masterson, is available to work with your people in arranging the details.

Sincerely.

ARLEIGH BURKE

Mr. Allen Dulles
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